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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: SOPO, OTRA (GREEN, MARSHALL)  
SUBJECT: MEETING OF AMBASSADOR GREEN WITH PRESIDENT SUHARTO

1. PRESIDENT SUHARTO RECEIVED AMBASSADOR MARSHALL GREEN, COORDINATOR OF POPULATION AFFAIRS, AND ME FEBRUARY 4. AMBASSADOR GREEN, WHO HAD JUST RETURNED FROM VISITS TO MANY INDONESIAN FAMILY PLANNING PROJECTS IN WEST AND EAST JAVA AND BALI, EXPRESSED TO PRESIDENT SUHARTO HIS ADMIRATION FOR WORK INDONESIA WAS DOING UNDER PRESIDENT'S LEADERSHIP IN THIS FIELD.

2. POINTING OUT THAT IN SOCIAL QUESTION OF THIS KIND COMMUNITY ACTION WAS ESSENTIAL, AMBASSADOR SAID HE HAD BEEN PARTICULARLY IMPRESSED BY RESPONSE OF PEOPLE IN RURAL SOCIETIES, INVOLVING COOPERATION BETWEEN CLINICS, FIELD WORKERS, MIDWIVES, VILLAGE AND HAMLET LEADERS AND MOTHERS CLUBS. SUCH COMMUNITY ACTION GIVES PERMANENCE TO FAMILY PLANNING WHATEVER CHANGES MAY OCCUR ELSEWHERE, AND THE PROGRAM REALLY GETS DOWN TO THE PEOPLE.

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3. PRESIDENT SAID HE WELCOMED AMBASSADOR GREEN AND HIS VIEWS ON INDONESIA'S FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAM. PROGRAM WAS BASED FUNDAMENTALLY ON "MONO-DUALISM" EMBODIES IN PANCASILA. UNDER THIS CONCEPT INDONESIA RECOGNIZED THAT WHILE EACH HUMAN BEING WAS AN INDIVIDUAL, HE HAD ALSO RESPONSIBILITY TO COMMUNITY AND SOCIETY. THUS ORGANIZATION OF FAMILY PLANNING WAS BASED ON IMPARTING TO PEOPLE IN VILLAGE AS WELL AS CITIES FACT THAT FAMILY PLANNING NOT ONLY BENEFITTED THEM AS INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES BUT ALSO WOULD BUILD A BETTER WIDER COMMUNITY.

4. TURNING TO SPECIFIC ASPECTS OF PROGRAM, PRESIDENT SAID HE WELCOMED FOREIGN ASSISTANCE INDONESIA WAS RECEIVING IN THIS FIELD BUT LOOKED FORWARD TO INDONESIA BECOMING SELF-SUFFICIENT IN PRODUCTION OF CONTRACEPTIVES. HE MENTIONED THAT CONTRACEPTIVE PILL SEEMED TO BE MOST EFFECTIVE MEANS AND SAID HE HAD BEEN SURPRISED AT DEGREE TO WHICH THIS METHOD WAS ACCEPTED AND CONTROLLED IN VILLAGES. HE MENTIONED PRACTICE IN SOME VILLAGES OF RINGING GONG AT CERTAIN HOUR EVERY EVENING SO ALL WOMEN COULD TAKE PILL.

5. AMBASSADOR GREEN EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR PRESIDENT'S RECEIVING HIM AND SAID HIS GLIMPSE OF INDONESIAN PROGRAM WAS MOST ENCOURAGING AND SUPPLIED USEFUL INSIGHTS INTO HOW PROGRAMS CAN BE BROUGHT TO THE PEOPLE.

6. COMMENT: PRESIDENT'S KEEN INTEREST IN FAMILY PLANNING IS A KEY FACTOR IN AWAKENING NATIONAL INTEREST IN PROGRAM AND IN ENLISTING SUPPORT FOR IT DOWN THROUGH THE STRUCTURES OF NATIONAL, PROVINCIAL AND VILLAGE GOVERNMENTS AND UP FROM THE GRASS ROOTS OF HAMLETS WHERE MOST OF THE PEOPLE LIVE.  
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